

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending. Claims 1-8, 10, and 12-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Pat. No. 7,321,920 to Washburn ("Washburn") in view of U.S. Pat. App. Pub. No. 2004/0078256 to Glitho et al. ("Glitho"). Applicants note an omission in the section 5 heading on page 3 of the Office Action, which does not list Claims 21 and 22 as being rejected. However, Applicants note that Claims 21 and 22 are addressed on page 10 of the Office Action and alleged to be unpatentable over the combination of Washburn and Glitho. Claims 9 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Washburn in view of Glitho, and further in view of U.S. Pat. No. 7,069,027 to Miriyala ("Miriya").

Applicants appreciate the Examiner granting the telephonic interview of July 11, 2011, during which the Examiner and Applicants' undersigned representative reached an agreement that the pending claims overcome the current rejections because the cited references, whether taken alone or in combination, do not teach or suggest an intermediate server running on a wireless information device/apparatus as recited in the independent claims. In light of the agreement reached during the interview and subsequent remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that all rejections are overcome and the claims are in condition for allowance.

The Rejection of Independent Claims 1, 13, and 19 under §103(a) is Overcome

Independent Claim 1 is directed to a method comprising receiving, at an intermediate server, data sent by a first application running on a wireless information device. The data is related to time sensitive information entered by an end-user into the first application. The intermediate server is configured to present a generic application programming interface and runs on the wireless information device. The method further comprises providing the data, over the generic application programming interface, from the intermediate server to a second application running on the wireless information device. The provided data triggers the second application to cause the wireless information device to automatically change its behavior appropriately in dependence on the data and not in dependence on automatically acquired context information. Independent Claims 13 and 19 are directed to a wireless information device

and apparatus, respectively, and, while each has its own respective scope, recite features substantially similar to those of Claim 1 insofar as this discussion is concerned.

The Office Action alleges that the independent claims (claims 1, 13, and 19) are unpatentable over the combination of Washburn and Glitho. However, Applicants respectfully disagree, as the combination of Washburn and Glitho fails to teach or suggest each of the features recited in the independent claims. In particular, the combination of Washburn and Glitho fails to teach or suggest that an intermediate server running on the same wireless information device/apparatus as both a first and second application receives data sent by the first application and provides the data to the second application.

The Office alleges that Washburn teaches this feature. However, as discussed with the Examiner during the telephonic interview, the cited references, including Washburn, whether taken alone or in combination, fail to teach or suggest this feature. Applicants appreciate the Examiner recognizing the failure of the cited references to teach or suggest this feature and agreeing to withdraw the rejection in response to the Applicants filing the instant response. Applicants additionally appreciate the Examiner taking the time to document the substance of the interview, including this agreement, in the Interview Summary mailed on July 26, 2011.

In view of the foregoing remarks and the agreement reached during the interview, Applicants respectfully submit that the independent claims are patentably distinct from the cited references, taken alone or in combination, such that the rejection is overcome. Applicants further respectfully submit that the independent claims are in condition for allowance.

The Rejection of the Dependent Claims is Overcome

Because each of the dependent claims includes each of the recitations of a respective independent base claim, Applicants further submit that the dependent claims are patentably distinguishable from the cited references, taken alone or in combination, for at least those reasons discussed above. Accordingly, applicants respectfully submit that the rejections of the dependent claims are overcome and the dependent claims are in condition for allowance.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the amended claims and remarks presented above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the present claims of the present application are in condition for immediate allowance. It is therefore respectfully requested that a Notice of Allowance be issued. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney to resolve any remaining issues in order to expedite examination of the present application.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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